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Kaye Bender
Public Health Accreditation Board
1600 Duke Street Suite 440
Alexandria, VA 22314

Re: Washington State Department of Health National Accreditation

Dear Kaye:

I strongly endorse the Washington State Department of Health's application to participate in the National Public Health Accreditation. As governor, I am committed to improving our state health system and support this request for involvement.

We are proud to be a public health leader on the national level and look forward to improving our programs and systems as a result of our participation in this accreditation process. This experience will be very valuable to our agency and staff and will benefit Washington residents.

I look forward to the results of this process so we can better protect and improve the health of Washingtonians.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Christine O. Gregoire".

Christine O. Gregoire
Governor

